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## 7 FAM 950 SERVICE OF PROCESS

1. **Changes:** This CT updates 7 FAM 950. Three new countries were added to the table in 7 FAM 953.5: Iceland, Macedonia, and Serbia

Corrected references, hyperlinks, and other administrative changes were made throughout.

- 2. **Change Transmittal** has replaced the term, **Transmittal Letter**. Change transmittal was selected as being more appropriate in this age of electronic information transmission. The FAM volume's transmittal acronym and numerical series remains in place.
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